

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

Top 10

TRAIN

- Train your Unit/Organization to handle Hazardous Materials (HM)
- Environmental Officer's (EO) classes are required by AR 200-1 and are offered 5 times a year

LABEL

- Make sure original manufacture label is on the product & legible
- HM must be taken to the HMSO prior to use. HM is tracked for reporting purposes. Contact HMSO for assistance at 624-4275

INVENTORY

- Create a master inventory for ALL of your HM
- Update monthly or as new products are received
- Inventory and post contents of flammable, corrosive and acid cabinet.

MANAGE (SDS)

- Purchase, or create, an SDS binder with current SDS's for your material.
- SDS binder should be accessible at all times
- Stored near HM

GOOD-HOUSEKEEPING

- Keep your HM storage areas clean to avoid problematic events
- Should be part of your weekly inspection
- Inspect secondary containers for a "silent leaker"

STORAGE

- Verify chemical compatibility
- Refer to section 7 of the SDS for storage and handling instructions
- Material A and B may not C eye to eye, understand your chemicals!

PPE

- Use the correct Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) for the job!
- See SDS section 8 for PPE requirements
- Inspect PPE prior to use for damages. Damaged? Get new PPE!

USAGE

- Use it only for its intended purpose
- DO NOT MIX CHEMICALS unless instructed to do so by the manufacturer
- Mixing chemicals creates an expensive HW and is dangerous

EMERGENCY PLANS

- Know where your spill kit is and inspect that it is ready for use
- Know where your first aid kit is
- Know your emergency evacuation plans

BE SMART

- Do not eat around HM
- Do not smoke around HM
- READ SDS BEFORE USE - Don't take a HM for granted!

TRAINING AND OTHER ASSISTANCE IS AVAILABLE FOR HAZARDOUS MATERIALS AND SPILLS. CALL 624-7300 TO SCHEDULE.